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there will still be adequate spectrum available in the area to meet realistic estimates of current and future demand for paging, two-way mobile and rural radiotelephone services. In the case of conventional rural radiotelephone central office stations, an explanation must be provided as to why BETRS technology is not being used instead of additional channel pairs.

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§ 22.721 Geographic area authorizations.

Eligible persons may apply for a paging geographic area authorization in the Rural Radiotelephone Service, on the channel pairs listed in §22.725, by following the procedures and requirements set forth in §22.503 for paging geographic area authorizations.

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§ 22.723 Secondary site-by-site authorizations.

Authorizations for new facilities (including new sites and additional channel pairs for existing sites) in the Rural Radiotelephone Service (including BETRS facilities) may be granted after May 12, 1997 only on the condition that such authorizations shall be secondary to any existing or future co-channel paging geographic area authorization in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service or the Rural Radiotelephone Service. If the paging geographic area licensee notifies the Rural Radio-telephone Service licensee that operation of a co-channel secondary facility must be discontinued because it may cause interference to existing or planned facilities, the Rural Radiotelephone Service licensee must discontinue operation of that facility on the particular channel pair involved no later than six months after such no-

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§ 22.725 Channels for conventional rural radiotelephone stations.

The following channels are allocated for paired assignment to transmitters that provide conventional rural radiotelephone service. These channels may be assigned for use by central office or rural subscriber stations as indicated, and interoffice stations. These channels may be assigned also for use by relay stations in systems where it would be impractical to provide rural radiotelephone service without the use of relay stations. All channels have a bandwidth of 20 kHz and are designated by their center frequencies in Mega-Hertz.

Central office	Rural sub- scriber	Central office	Rural sub- scriber	
VHF Channels				
152.03	158.49	152.57	157.83	
152.06	158.52	152.60	157.86	
152.09	158.55	152.63	157.89	
152.12	158.58	152.66	157.92	
152.15	158.61	152.69	157.95	
152.18	158.64	152.72	157.98	
152.21	158.67	152.75	158.01	
152.51	157.77	152.78	158.04	
152.54	157.80	152.81	158.07	
	UHF C	hannels		
454.025	459.025	454.350	459.350	
454.050	459.050	454.375	459.375	
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454.050 459.050 454.375 459.3	3/5
454.075 459.075 454.400 459.4	100
454.100 459.100 454.425 459.4	125
454.125 459.125 454.450 459.4	150
454.150 459.150 454.475 459.4	175
454.175 459.175 454.500 459.5	500
454.200 459.200 454.525 459.5	525
454.225 459.225 454.550 459.5	550
454.250 459.250 454.575 459.5	575
454.275 459.275 454.600 459.6	600
454.300 459.300 454.625 459.6	325
454.325 459.325 454.650 459.6	650

(a) The channels listed in this section are also allocated for assignment in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service.

(b) In Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, channels in the 154.04–154.46 MHz and 161.40–161.85 MHz frequency ranges may be assigned to transmitters providing rural radiotelephone service; channels in these ranges are also allocated for assignment in the International Fixed Public and Aeronautical Fixed radio services.

(c) In Alaska, channels 42.40, 44.10, 44.20 and 45.90 MHz are allocated for assignment to transmitters providing rural radiotelephone service using meteor burst propagation modes, subject to the provisions of §22.729.

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